

# Interstate 17 Construction Update

August 28, 2008

Northbound I-17 closed tonight at Happy Valley Road, both directions Tues. and Wed. nights at Carefree Hwy *No freeway work during Labor Day holiday weekend* 



### **Upcoming Restrictions**

No construction closures are scheduled by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) on Phoenix area freeways or other highways across the state through the Labor Day holiday weekend. ADOT reminds you to drive safely and don't drink and drive.

Several closures and restrictions are planned on Interstate 17 for construction of improvements. Please see the complete list of restrictions below for information about restriction dates, times and alternate routes.

All I-17 improvement projects from Loop 101 to Carefree Highway are scheduled for completion in 2009. Projects currently under construction include new I-17 traffic interchanges at Jomax Road and Carefree Highway (SR 74), as well as widening I-17 by two lanes in each direction from Loop 101 to Carefree Highway (one general purpose traffic lane and one HOV lane each way). Construction is anticipated to begin this winter to widen I-17 from Carefree Highway to Anthem Way.

These projects are some of the first elements of the Regional Transportation Plan for Maricopa County and are funded through a voter-approved sales tax to improve and construct new roads throughout the Valley through 2025. More

information on the Regional Transportation Plan is available at www.valleyfreeways.com.

While ADOT strives to inform the public about planned freeway restrictions, during any complex construction project, there is a possibility that unscheduled closures or restrictions may occur. Please visit our <u>Web site</u> for the most current information about planned and ongoing I-17 restrictions.

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions and closures for Interstate 17 projects:

#### Interstate 17 at Happy Valley Road

Thursday, Aug. 28 - Friday, Aug. 29

10 p.m. - 5 a.m.

Northbound I-17 will be closed overnight at Happy Valley Road from Thursday night until Friday morning to set temporary concrete barriers for the widening project. Traffic will exit at Happy Valley Road, travel north on the frontage road and re-enter I-17 at Jomax Road.

#### Interstate 17 at Carefree Highway (State Route 74)

Tuesday, Sept. 2 – Thursday, Sept. 4

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be closed in both directions overnight at Carefree Highway from Tuesday night until the morning of Thursday, Sept. 4 for bridge work on the Carefree Highway interchange. I-17 traffic will be detoured onto the interchange ramps at Carefree Highway during the closure.

#### Interstate 17 from Happy Valley to Jomax roads

Tuesday, Sept. 2 – Thursday, Sept. 4

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

Northbound I-17 will be restricted to one lane nightly approximately one-half mile south of Happy Valley Road to approximately one-half mile north of Jomax Road from Tuesday night until the morning of Thursday, Sept. 4 to set temporary concrete barriers for the widening project.

### Interstate 17 at Happy Valley Road

Saturday, Sept. 6 - Sunday, Sept. 7

1 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Southbound I-17 will be closed at Happy Valley Road the mornings of Saturday, Sept. 6 and Sunday, Sept. 7 for bridge work on the widening project. I-17 traffic will be detoured onto the interchange ramps at Happy Valley Road during the closure.

## Deer Valley Road at Interstate 17

Saturday, Sept. 6 at 1 a.m. - Sunday, Sept. 7 at 6 a.m.

Deer Valley Road will be closed westbound and restricted to one lane eastbound at I-17 from Saturday morning, Sept. 6 until the morning of Sunday, Sept. 7 to install underground utilities. Westbound Deer Valley Road traffic will detour south at 19th Avenue to Rose Garden Lane or Pinnacle Peak Road, then return north on 27th Avenue to Deer Valley Road.

Drivers should anticipate delays and allow extra time, or adjust travel to avoid closures and restrictions. ADOT appreciates your patience as we construct improvements on I-17.

An audio podcast outlining this week's I-17 Traffic Alert can be downloaded from the ADOT Web site.

- For general information about I-17 improvements, contact the I-17 project hotline at 480.890.3055 or projectupdate@lewin-associates.com.
- For information on construction activities, contact Lars Jacoby at 602.712.7176 or ljacoby@azdot.gov.
- For traffic updates across Arizona, visit ADOT's Travel Information Site at <a href="www.az511.gov">www.az511.gov</a> or call 5-1-1.

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